IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF FEDERAL CLAIMS

Ciapessoni et al., on behalf of themselves and all others similarly situated,

Plaintiffs,

Case No. 15-938C Hon. Thomas C. Wheeler

The United States of America,

V.

Defendant.

DECLARATION OF BRUCE CIAPESSONI IN SUPPORT OF PLAINTIFFS' MOTION TO CERTIFY CLASS ACTION

- I, Bruce Ciapessoni, hereby state and declare as follows:
- 1. I am a named plaintiff in the above-captioned lawsuit.
- I am in the business of growing natural seedless grapes, which are subsequently 2. picked and dried to produce raisins.
- I produced and delivered raisins individually and as a partner in Rossi & 3. Ciapessoni Farms up to and including the 2002-2010 crop years.
- During the crop years in which a reserve requirement was ultimately imposed, neither I nor Rossi & Ciapessoni Farms were compensated for those reserve-tonnage raisins.

I hereby declare that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief, and that I understand it is made for use as evidence in court and is subject to penalty for perjury.

DATED: September 26, 2015

Bruce Ciapessoni